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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Case Docket No. 7042R

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a RESPONSE for the patent application:

Inventor(s): Rourke, et al. Confirmation No. 9622

Serial No.: 09/529,575 Group Art Unit: 3761

Date Filed: July 13, 2001 Examiner: J. Webb

Title: PROTEASE INHIBITORS IN ABSORBENT ARTICLES

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1. ☒ No additional fee is known to be required.
2. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
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3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2002 in the above-identified application to preserve pendency of said application. The processing fee under 37 CFR §1.17 has been determined as follows: \$400.00 for a two-month extension of time.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
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 - b. ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is fully responsive to the Office Action dated June 7, 2002. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the present application in view of the amendments, the remarks and the accompanying Declaration by Dr. Scott Edward Osborne submitted pursuant to 37 C. F. R. §1.132.

Also included herewith is a new formal drawing, in response to the Examiner's objection.

A two-months extension is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C. F. R §1.136(a).

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 6, please amend "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" as indicated.

Figure 1 is a schematic illustration of an absorbent article in the form of a diaper according to the present invention.

Figure 2A is a side view showing placement of a skin analog used in the skin care composition transfer test and/or the protease inhibitor transfer test.

Figure 2B is a plan view showing placement of the skin analog used in the skin care composition transfer test and/or the protease inhibitor transfer test.

Figure 3 is an absorbent article in the form of a diaper, which has a plurality of lotion stripes.